Amendments to the Drawings

The attached sheets of drawings reflect the removal of duplicate FIGURE 15 on original

sheet 12 and a correction to FIG. 26 to make the illustration of tear seam 316 consistent with the

tear seam illustrated in FIG. 28. FIGS. 16-35, attached as sheets 12 -22, now reflect corrected

numbering for the drawing sheets. FIGS. 26 and 29 have been corrected to reflect the changes

entered June 7, 2004 as requested by the Examiner.

Attachments - Replacement Sheets 12-22

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Reexamination and reconsideration are requested. In addition, a Petition for a one month

extension of time to respond to the Office Action of December 17, 2004 accompanies this

amendment.

Claims 1, 22-39 and 42-47 were pending in the application. Claims 1 and 22-39 have

been allowed. Claims 43-47 have now been cancelled.

In the Office Action mailed December 17, 2004, the Examiner objected to the

drawings as the illustration of tear seam 316 in FIG. 26 was felt to be inaccurate

and/or incomplete. FIG. 28 is a magnified view of the region of in FIG. 26 bounded by

circle A. The Examiner felt that the two illustrations of tear seam 316 were inconsistent.

FIG. 26 has been corrected to overcome this objection.

It was indicated by the Examiner that claim 42 would be allowable if a terminal

disclaimer was timely filed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c). Claim 42 was rejected

under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being

unpatentable over claims 18 and 38 of USP 5,941,558 in view of USP 4,893,833 as well

as over claim 19 of USP 6,203,056. A terminal disclaimer accompanies this amendment, along

with the required fee, and it is believed that the outstanding double-patenting rejection has been

rendered moot.

In consideration of the timely filing of the terminal disclaimer, the amendment to the

drawing and the remarks hereinabove, Applicant respectfully submits that all claims currently

pending in the application are believed to be in condition for allowance. Allowance at an early

date is respectfully solicited.

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In the event the Examiner deems personal contact is necessary, please contact the undersigned attorney at (603) 668-6560.

In the event there are any fee deficiencies or additional fees are payable, please charge them (or credit any overpayment) to our Deposit Account No. 50-2121.

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